

Claim Listing:

1-24. (Cancelled)

25. (Currently amended) A method for modulating the immunostimulatory effect of an immunostimulatory oligonucleotide compound, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a 1',2'-dideoxyribose, C3-linker, Spacer 9, Spacer 18, 2-aminobutyl-1,3-propanediol linker, β -L-deoxynucleoside, 2'-O-propargyl-ribonucleoside, 3'-deoxynucleoside, or 2'-5' linkage.

26-38. (Cancelled)

39. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a 1',2'-dideoxyribose.

40. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a C3-linker.

41. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a Spacer 9.

42. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a Spacer 18.

43. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a 2-aminobutyl-1,3-propanediol linker.

44. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a β -L-deoxynucleoside.

45. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a 2'-O-propargyl-ribonucleoside.

46. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a 3'-deoxynucleoside.
47. (New) The method according to claim 1, comprising introducing into the oligonucleotide a 2'-5' linkage.